the place, and so they fell under the execution of the vanguard of the enemy, being all Spaniards and the choicest men of the army, and were chased to the walls of Ostend Meantime his Excellency not knowing of the execution made upon the Scots caused the English and Freezes to be drawn up at a low water from the other side of the haven of Newport, where they were quartered before the town, and so brought all his forces to a head, at what time it was disputed whether they should send forth the troops as they passed over the water to second the Scots, or keep themselves together till further advertisement, which was the safer course and happily resolved upon Straitway upon this resolution part of the enemy's horse, being in number about 700, began to be discovered upon the sands as they came marching forward, with then-foot troops following after Then the Count Lodowicfc, General of the Horse, at his Excellency's command gave over the whole direction to Sir Francis Vere, who first commanded the six pieces of artillery which were planted upon the enemy to be discharged on the enemy's horse, and then charged himself with three troops of horse and beat them into the Dunes, the infantry of the enemy making a stand upon the sands

The enemy's horse being thus driven into the Dunes, the commanders entered into dispute, whether it were best to advance forward and charge upon their foot troops as they stood upon the sands, or to keep in the Dunes where they stood embattled and there to attend the enemy , wherein Sir Francis Vere opposed himself to the whole council of war, saying that it was not safe to leave a place of advantage to go seek an enemy upon equal terms, considering that the enemy

would be forced
to seek battle, for it was impossible in that hasty
march that
they had come provided with necessaries to
continue there
This resolution was agreed upon, and so it fell out
according to
that which *Six* Francis had delivered, for after
three hours
expectation the enemy came on to charge the
English which had
the vanguard of the army

Battle being joined the English after a short
time forced the
enemy to retreat, who flying to the tops of the
Dunes now had
the like advantage over our men as ours had
before over them
In this way with varying fortunes the fight
continued the space